What technologies are involved?

- Domestic/workplace assistive technology and devices: 14,470 (68%)
- Assistive technologies for culture, recreation and leisure: 2,985 (14%)
- Alarms: 2,660 (12%)
- Assistive products for vertical accessibility: 1,558 (7%)

Which are the fastest growing technologies?

Filings in assistive products for vertical accessibility saw an average annual growth rate of 41% between 2013 and 2017.

Most top filers are Japanese companies. Conventional environment assistive technology encompasses a broad range of technologies and is highly fragmented, with many small patent portfolios.

Who is filing?

- Applicant sector:
  - Corporate: 44%
  - Individuals: 45%
  - Academia: 10%

Top patent applicants:

- Panasonic (Japan): 282
- Toto (Japan): 158
- Sekisui Chemical (Japan): 116
- Toagosei (Japan): 97
- Stannah Stairlifts (U.K.): 91